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Cc: Smith, Bonnie[smith.bonnie@epa.gov]
From: White, Terri-A
Sent: Wed 2/12/2014 4:55:04 PM
Subject: FW: ACTION: BNA (Pat Rizzuto) re: W. Va. Spill; ddl: 2/14

Fran, Vicky,

HQ needs us to respond to questions below from BNA reporter. I went back to the very first status report that HSCD provided in preparation for an internal briefing/meeting we had the morning of Friday, Jan. 10. At that time, we had not been asked by the State to assist them. However, we did initiate deployment of two OSCs.

Ex. 5 - Deliberative

CURRENT ACTIVITIES: EPA OSCs Matlock and Linden are enroute to Charleston with START contractor to assist in any sampling activities if requested. They have been in contact with FEMA and will meet up with the IMAT (incident management assistance team) upon his arrival. In anticipation that we will need to staff the ESF-10 desk at the FEMA Region 3 Regional Response Coordination Center (RRCC), the RRC has sent a request for availability to the RSC membership for volunteers to serve as Watchstander at the FEMA offices here in Philadelphia. Until 7:00 pm this evening, Fred MacMillan from HSCD is scheduled to staff the ESF-10 desk.

As always, we will follow the RICT protocols for deployment of any RSC staff which includes: 1) reminding the RSC members to discuss with their supervisor their interest prior to volunteering; 2) obtaining Deputy Director approval/clearance prior to deployment; and, 3) checking with ORC on whether the employee to be deployed is needed for any enforcement matters.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 11:26 AM
To: bonnie@smith; White, Terri-A
Cc: Hull, George; Jones, Enesta
Subject: Fw: ACTION: BNA (Pat Rizzuto) re: W. Va. Spill; ddl: 2/14

Bonnie and Terri,
Can you work on responses to these, please?

- 1) Elk River
- a) Did West Virginia and/or CDC ask for EPA's help following the spill?
- b) If so, when?
- c) What offices got involved e.g. regional? Water? Waste?

From: Flattery, Priscilla
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 9:17:30 AM
To: Jones, Enesta; Smith, Bonnie; Strauss, Linda; Behringer, Caroline; Hull, George; Belknap, Andra; Bloomgren, David; White, Terri-A
Subject: RE: ACTION: BNA (Pat Rizzuto) re: W. Va. Spill; ddl: 2/14

Enesta -- OPPT will do 1d, all o f2, and 3d. Region 3 and the Office of Water will need to enngage on the other responses. Thanks.

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From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2014 7:11 PM
To: Smith, Bonnie; Strauss, Linda; Behringer, Caroline; Hull, George; Belknap, Andra; Bloomgren, David; Jones, Enesta; Flattery, Priscilla; White, Terri-A
Subject: ACTION: BNA (Pat Rizzuto) re: W. Va. Spill; ddl: 2/14

Hi All,
Some of these can be addressed by Region 3; some by OCSPP. Including all. Thanks.

I am working on a special report on chemical data issues raised by the Elk River spill. I need to clarify a few details regarding EPA's involvement (if any) in last month's incident; I ALSO need to doublecheck some other chemical data issues.

1) Elk River

- a) Did West Virginia and/or CDC ask for EPA's help following the spill?
- b) If so, when?
- c) What offices got involved e.g. regional? Water? Waste?
- d) Did New Chemicals folks from OPPT get involved? The reason I'm asking is that they have the expertise in structure activity analysis, so even if data on MCHM was Spartan, perhaps they could help with SAR?

2) HPV data

- a) Can you get me the following data by Friday? Can you let me know by Wednesday if that is doable:
 - 1) Number of HPV chemicals sponsored under the voluntary chemical challenge program;
 - 2) Number of sponsored chemicals for which data submissions are complete.
 - 3) Number of HPV chemicals that have been subject to test rules;
 - 4) Number of the HPV test rule chemicals for which the EPA has a complete data set;
 - 5) Status of 4th HPV test rule
- b) MCHM was a high production volume chemical at times. Indeed it was included among the group of HPV chemicals added to the Priority Testing List in the 58th ITC Report.
- c) I cannot find any evidence that it was removed. Is it still on the list?
- d) Was it removed and when?
- e) What is the status of efforts to get data on it?

3) Similarities/differences to C8 (PFOA) drinking water contamination incident in West Virginia in early 2000s.

- a) What similarities/differences does EPA see between the recent Elk River spill and lack of data about that chemical and the C8 chemical that got into the drinking water of West Virginia and Ohio residents in the early 2000s?
- b) Can EPA describe the amount of data that was or was not available on C8?
- c) Available on analogous chemicals (e.g. PFOS)?
- d) During the ECA negotiations to obtain environment, transportation and fate data on PFOA and related chemicals, the EPA was unable to obtain certain types of data. What was that data that it wanted but could not get through the negotiated consent agreement process?

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